

teaches children how to avoid drugs and violence. The school also has a Peace Pole in their Memory Garden, around which students and faculty gather each Memorial Day, Veteran's Day, and for special prayer services to commemorate loved ones who have passed away.

In 1997, the school won the National Blue Ribbon of Excellence Award from the United States Department of Education. Despite the outstanding education students at St. Martin of Tours have received for almost fifty years, this year will be the school's last.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring St. Martin of Tours, a school that has provided education of the highest quality for decades. It will certainly be missed by the community it served.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, due to a commitment in my district, I had to miss votes on H.R. 5325. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall vote 315, "aye" on rollcall vote 316, "no" on rollcall vote 317, "yes" on rollcall vote 318.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DIANE BLACK

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, during Floor consideration of H.R. 5325 on June 1, 2012, I mistakenly recorded my vote on roll No. 311 as "no" on the question on agreeing to the amendment offered by Mr. MCCLINTOCK of California.

I intended to vote "yes", on the McClintock amendment, which sought to reduce the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Account by \$1,450,960,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account. Again, I would like to reiterate my strong support for the McClintock amendment and wish to clearly state for the record that I support the amendment to H.R. 5325 and did not intend to vote against it.

HONORING LOGAN ROUSH

HON. TOM MARINO

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

Mr. MARINO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of my constituent, Logan Roush, of New Berlin, Pennsylvania.

Logan, a 22-year-old, lifelong resident of Pennsylvania's 10th Congressional District, will have the distinct honor of delivering the keynote address at this year's dinner for Pennsylvania Cystic Fibrosis, Inc.

As an amateur historian, Civil War buff, and diehard Notre Dame football fan, Logan

stands as an example to people across the district and the country who are struggling with cystic fibrosis. He embodies courage and strength, as he works to achieve good through the adversity of his struggles.

Logan graduated from Mifflinburg High School and completed one semester at Susquehanna University, until he was unable to continue due to his battle with cystic fibrosis. Along with his parents, Shawn and Kelly Roush, and his grandmother, Betty Hollenbach, Logan has served as a longtime member of PACFI, emceeding their annual dinner for the past ten years.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Logan Roush, and ask my colleagues to join in praising his commitment to country and community.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MOUNT WASHINGTON CRUISES ON THEIR 140TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I congratulate Mount Washington Cruises on reaching your 140th anniversary.

New Hampshire is proud to be home to some of the most beautiful sights in the Northeast. The White Mountains and Lakes Region have attracted tourists from all over the world, and the beauty and grandeur of Lake Winnepesaukee has been shared with thousands of visitors thanks to the M/S Mount Washington.

The MIS Mount Washington is truly one of New Hampshire's greatest treasures and continues to be one of the State's leading tourist attractions in the Lakes Region and for Weirs Beach. The daily in season tours give visitors the chance to view firsthand the beauty and majesty of Lake Winnepesaukee. With the ability to hold 1250 passengers, the "Mount" has also been a popular venue for parties, weddings and various celebrations. Today Mount Washington Cruises is owned and operated by local individuals ensuring that this fine vessel and her operations maintain in New Hampshire and are run by New Hampshire's great citizens.

I congratulate the owners, officers and crew of the Mount Washington Cruises for their continued success and their dedication to maintain the great legacy of the M/S Mount Washington here in the Granite State. I wish you all the best for continued success in the future.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, today is World Environment Day. Established by the United Nations and now in its 40th year, World Environment Day draws the attention of the international community to the urgent and continuing need to address environmental issues.

A "green" economy is one whose growth in income and employment is driven by public

and private investments that reduce carbon emissions and pollution, enhance energy and resource efficiency, and prevent the loss of biodiversity and ecosystem services. These investments need to be incentivized and supported by targeted public-private partnerships, policy reforms, and regulation changes.

One of the main engines for economic growth is a higher rate of employment, which both reduces the burden on the economy and gives consumers the purchasing power to sustain a middle-class standard of living through supporting industries. And "greening the economy" creates good-paying jobs.

The theme of this year's celebration is "Green Economy: Does it Include You?"

On behalf of the 7,000,000 residents of the 37th Congressional District of California whom I represent, I am proud to answer this question in the affirmative. The people, businesses, and institutions of the 37th Congressional District of California have taken groundbreaking steps to strengthen and advance America's green economy. For example, the Port of Long Beach's Clean Trucks Program has reduced air pollution from harbor trucks by 90 percent. The City of Long Beach has implemented several initiatives aimed at 'greening' its economy, including the Green Business Recognition Program, the Environmental Purchasing Policy, and the foundation of the Green Job Center.

As a member of the Sustainable Energy and Environment Caucus and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, I have worked to advance environmentally sustainable policies that will position our country to compete and win in the global economy of the 21st century. In the 111th Congress, I introduced the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act, DERA, of 2010, which extended a national and State-level grant, rebate and loan program that created jobs and improved the Nation's air quality. This legislation also provides economic incentives to decrease emissions and protect the environment, which will result in significant health benefits for communities across the country. DERA was signed into law by the President on January 4, 2011.

I am also proud to have voted to pass such other important 'green' legislation as the American Clean Energy and Security Act, the Home Star Jobs Act, and Renewable Energy Credits and Other Business and Individual Credits Act.

Mr. Speaker, since its inception in 1972 World Environment Day has grown to become one of the main vehicles to focus attention and encourage action by the international community in support of the environment. World Environment Day is a day for people from all walks of life to come together to ensure a cleaner, greener and brighter outlook for themselves and future generations.

Everyone counts in this initiative and everyone can help make a difference. Whether by organizing a neighborhood clean-up, stop using plastic bags and get your community to do the same, planting a tree, walking to work, starting a recycling drive, everyone can contribute to making our communities safer, healthier, and cleaner.

So on World Environment Day, I commend all those individuals and organizations across the Nation and around the world for the contributions they are making and urge all Americans to join them in the worthwhile effort.